GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
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NEW SUGAR POLICY
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether cooperative sugar mills in Maharashtra have been adversely affected due to implications of new sugar policy recently announced;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of memorandum received from the sugar mills in Maharashtra and the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(d) the present status of the proposal and the action taken/proposed to be taken on the memorandum?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (S SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a),(b),(c) & (d) : Representations from 36 cooperative sugar factories of Maharashtra have been received intimating that due to change in levy freesale ratio, the demand of sugar in the market had fallen. As a result, the sugar merchants did not lift freesale sugar sold earlier and hence requested for extension of validity period of freesale sugar quota released for the month of January, 2001. In view of the existing practice which allows sugar mills to sell upto 10% of their monthly freesale sugar quota upto 7th of the following month, no extension of validity period was considered necessary.